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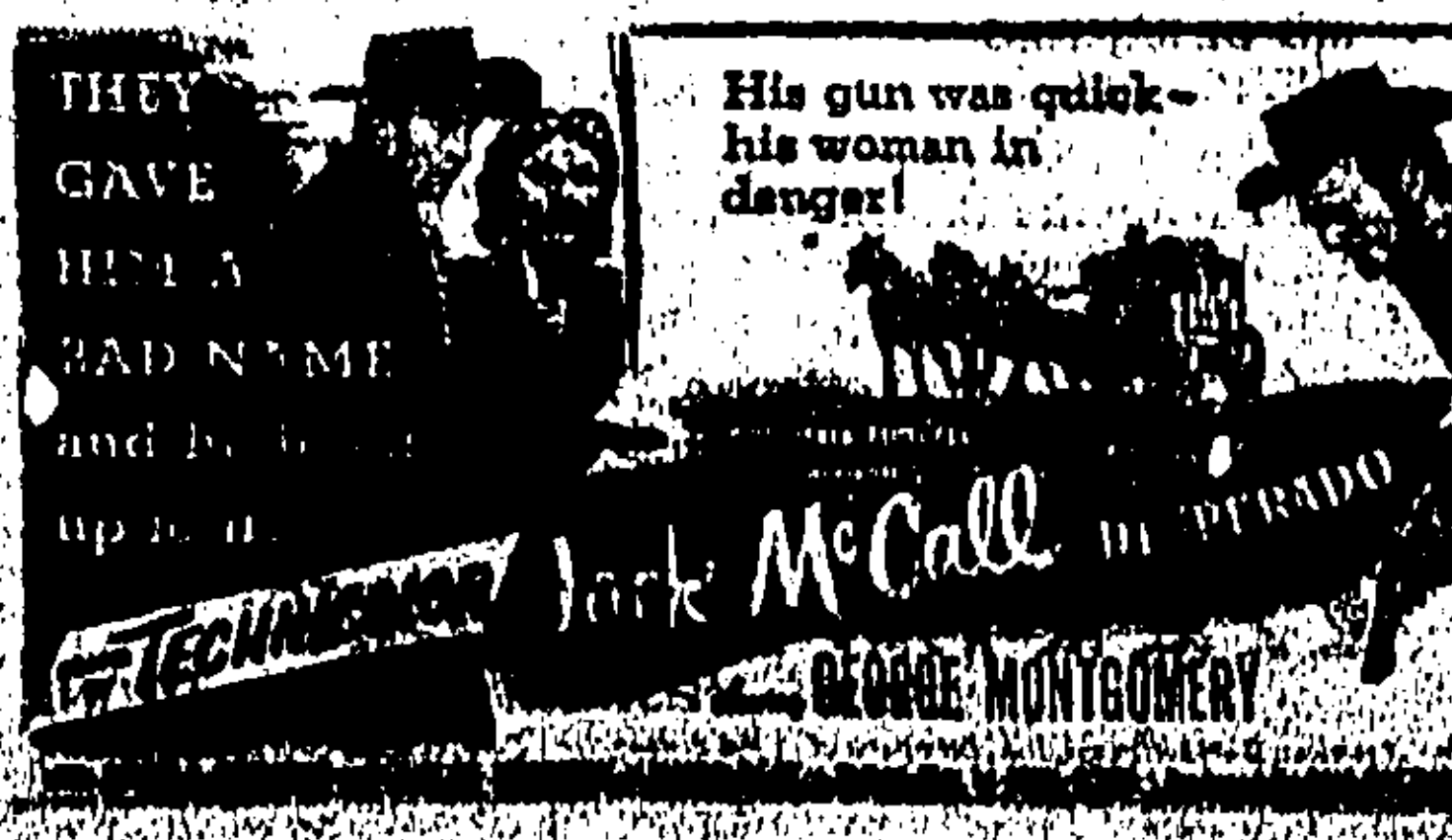
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TO-MORROW AT THE MAJESTIC

**MIDDLE-EAST PACT NEARER****US Favours Regional Security System**

London, Feb. 11.

Preliminary American contacts which may lead to the establishment of a regional security system stretching from Turkey to Pakistan are nearing completion. It is believed in diplomatic quarters here.

American sympathy with the creation of a local system of defensive alliances of the Balkan pact type has been made clear both to Pakistan and to Turkey, it is thought here.

Discussions on the possibility of granting United States military aid to Pakistan are already advanced.

Although no formal approaches have yet been made, the possibility of concluding a

pact of friendship and mutual aid between the two countries is believed to be viewed favourably both in Karachi and Ankara, and some further, more concrete, moves are regarded as probable in the near future.

Should this pact materialise it is recognised here that it might provide the basis for adherence by other neighbouring states notably the states which, with Turkey, formed the Sandin Pact system of the inter-war period—Persia, Iraq and Afghanistan.

American backing for such a regional system would, it is thought here, be assured.

NO DIRECT LINK

No direct link with the United States such as had been contemplated in the Middle East Defence Organisation of which Britain, France and the United States, as well as countries of the Middle East, were to be members is likely.

But a regional system of this kind would certainly enjoy as close contact with the military staffs of the Western Powers as that enjoyed by Yugoslavia, from within the Balkan Pact.

Moreover, the form of the Spanish-American bases agreement makes it clear that current American military thinking does not consider the peace time occupation and development of war time bases to be essential.

ALTERNATIVE TO MEDO

Officials here do not give a clear reply to questions whether such a system, if it were to be established, would be an alternative to the plan for a Middle East Defence Organisation in which Turkey and the "Big Three" Western Powers would have enjoyed a special position.

The fact seems to be that an Anglo-Egyptian agreement on the future of the Canal base would give this scheme a real start. In the face of Anglo-Egyptian deadlock, however, fresh plans for the security of the area between Europe and Asia are being canvassed.

In consequence, the leading role would be taken by the indigenous states and not by the Great Powers.

PREOCCUPIED WITH SUEZ
Britain, while being kept informed by the fact still preoccupied with the question of the Suez Canal base and the chances of securing Egyptian co-operation in its use.

Should a new security system along Russia's southern frontier begin to take shape, it is clear that Turkey will pre-empt the role of occupying key role. Besides membership of such a system, Turkey, which bridges Europe and Asia, is also a member of the Balkan Pact system and of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

Standing both geographically and politically at the junction between these systems, it would be through Turkey that continuity of defence from the Western world to the heart of Asia would be assured.

The possibility of establishing a secure defence system between Asia and the Middle East has for some time been explored by the United States.

United States Secretary of State Mr. John Foster Dulles, on his return from his tour of the Middle East and Asia early last summer, commented favourably upon the virility and independence of what he called the "northern tier" of nations linking Asia and Europe.

At that time, he also recognised the immense difficulties both in the form of Anglo-Egyptian discord and/or Israeli-Arab hatred which stand in the way of the earlier concept of a strictly Middle East defence organisation. — China Mail Special.

Stone Age Relics Found In Fukien

Amoy, Feb. 10.
Fukien radio announced that Communist geologists have excavated a number of stone age relics in Fukien Province, South China.

These included 12 examples of polished stone-ware, pottery vessels, a well preserved pottery vessel and many fragments. The relics were found at a depth of about six feet. Fragments of human skulls, animal bones and deer horns were also discovered on the site. — China Mail Special.

The "Brain" Has A Breakdown

A huge electronic "brain," which for months has been working 24 hours a day solving complex mathematical problems for Britain's atomic aeronautical, financial and defence chiefs, has had a "nervous breakdown."

For a fortnight the brain—which fills a big room at Manchester University—has been dumb and helpless. Its memory, a magnetic drum in which 500,000 facts are stored, has failed. But that doesn't mean that it's forgotten anything. The bearings of the drum are much out, and to replace them much of the brain must be taken to pieces.

Creaks and groans from the memory drum, which turns at 2,400 revolutions a minute, first drew the attention of its human attendants to its condition.

HAVING A REST
Though pilot of work awaited the brain's attention it was decided to give it a rest while the trouble was investigated.

The brain has helped Sir William Penney's team of atomic experts to push ahead quickly with Britain's atomic work. The De Havilland company has consulted it about supersonic flight. Films on defence projects, such as Metropolitan Vickers, have also sought its aid. Its charges are £20 per hour.

The machine, costing £100,000, was built by Ferranti Ltd. Others are being produced and several foreign Governments are interested in them.

TOOK A REST
Strictly speaking, the "brain" is no more a brain than any other machine. It merely cuts down to the minute fraction of a second the time a normal person takes to work out mathematical problems.

Film Producer Files Divorce Suit

Los Angeles, Feb. 10.

The film producer-director Fred Packard today filed suit for divorce from Abigail Mary Packard, daughter of the English movie executive, J. Arthur Rank, on grounds of desertion.

Packard indicated an international battle over custody of the couple's two U.S.-born children—Susan Mary, 10, and Fred Arthur, 8—might be waged when he asked the Court to order that the children be educated in American schools.

His lawyer, S. S. Helm, said Packard, an American citizen, was en route to England to seek their custody.

Helm said the family went to England in 1950 when Packard worked for Rank. After a disagreement, he said, Packard refused to follow — United Press.

One Of Farouk's Companions

This is 19-year-old Miss Capoe, Minutale (Miss Naples 1953), who is said to resemble Queen Nariman, and to be a recent companion of ex-King Farouk. — Express News.

Peron And Eva Nazi Spies? Nonsense Says German Embassy

Buenos Aires, Feb. 10.

A German Embassy spokesman today labelled as "complete falsifications" purported documents alleging that President Juan Peron and his late wife, Eva, operated as German spies in Argentina during World War II.

The alleged documents were reproduced in the book "Tecnica de Una Traicion" (Blueprint for Treason), written by an exiled former Radical Deputy, Silvano Sanlander, and published in Montevideo last year.

The spokesman said the German Embassy had informed the Argentine Government "As far as we can determine, they are complete falsifications." He added that when the book was published, his Embassy considered it an attempt to worsen Argentine-American relations, which at the time were on the frond.

The spokesman said the German Foreign Office had obtained statements from all of the Third Reich German Embassy officials quoted in the book.

"In each case, these men have denied the validity of the documents in such a way that we have no reason to disbelieve their denials," he said.

In the book an alleged letter from naval Captain Niebuhr, one of the military attaches at the German Embassy during the war, to General Faupel was reproduced. The spokesman said Captain Niebuhr had denied ever writing to General Faupel. Also, the spokesman said, Prince Schaumburg-Lippe insisted that since 1945 he had not been in Brazil where, according to Tecnica de Una Traicion, he made statements on the subject.

The spokesman said all the signatures reproduced in the book were forged and the evidence clumsily presented. He added, however, that it might appear convincing to a person whose knowledge of German was slight. — United Press.

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Watch For — John Wayne in "HONDO" in Warner Color

No US Government Farm Surplus Exports For Russia

Washington, Feb. 10.

The United States Government announced today it would allow the sale of surplus farm products to the Soviet bloc provided they were first obtained by American exporters in the open market.

But the new policy, announced by the Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Sinclair Weeks, forbids the sale of such products from Government-owned stocks.

His statement said "It has been decided to deny commercial export licensing for the export for cash of United States Government-owned surplus agricultural and farm products to Russia or her satellites."

"This does not exclude study of license applications for exporting these products to the Soviet bloc if acquired by exporters in the open market and not from Government-owned stocks," he said.

STRATEGIC BAN
Moscow, Feb. 10.

Some of the goods that Russia wants to buy from Britain are on the British strategic list, the leader of the British group of businessmen said today at the end of their two week trade visit to Moscow.

Mr. J. B. Scott said the Soviet Foreign Trade Minister, Mr. Ivan Kabanov, "spoke frankly about this list" and "expressed the hope for a successful expansion of business in spite of the list."

Eight of the group left Moscow today but 20 others stayed behind for private discussions.

Mr. Scott told Mr. Kabanov at a banquet last night that Britain welcomed a statement given to the group by the Minister a week ago in which the Russian Government listed 61 items they would like to buy from Britain, including heavy machinery.

"BIG BUSINESS"
Mr. Scott said today it was impossible to give a figure of the business done or projected by the group's visit. Some Russian requests were only in

the inquiry stage and some of the British businessmen would not give details of their own discussions for competitive reasons, he said.

"But it is obvious there is some very big business going and the Russians are anxious to build up trade," he said.

One company represented was working on Russian inquiry which could mean a £10,000,000 order for electrical equipment, Mr. Scott said.

He added that another electrical firm had an inquiry for 1,000 electricity distributing substations each of about £2,000.

"Long term prospects seem good. A number of companies have secured contracts, every- one is pleased and considers the trip worthwhile," Mr. Scott declared. — Reuters.

Former POW's Want To Emigrate

United Nations, N.Y., Feb. 10.
The United Nations Secretary-General, Dr. Dag Hammarskjöld, told a press conference today the United Nations was actively concerned with the fate of the former Korean war prisoners who had asked to emigrate to neutral countries and would contribute to all efforts aimed at having them admitted to these countries. Some 50 prisoners asked to be sent to neutral countries. — France-Press.

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GIBRALTAR HAS BEEN BRITISH LONGER THAN IT WAS EVER SPANISH

By Peter Lovegrove

GIBRALTAR, that rocky "sentry-box" guarding the narrow sea-way between Europe and Africa where the Mediterranean and the Atlantic meet, which Her Majesty the Queen is to visit on May 10, will complete its 250th year under the British Crown on July 24.

It has recently been the target for threats by General Franco and hysterical demonstrations of nationalism by Spanish youths in Madrid and other cities, but in actual fact this naval base of vital strategic importance has been British territory longer than it ever was Spanish.

Known to the Greeks as Kalpe, it was one of the Pillars of Hercules of antiquity, and the Phoenicians were the first to found a

Moor was back in possession 24 years later, and it was not until the end of the fifteenth century that Spain regained control.

In 1704 it fell once more, this time to the combined British and Dutch forces under Admiral Sir George Rooke after a three-day siege. The War of the Spanish Succession was then in progress, with Britain supporting the claim of the Archduke Charles of Austria to the throne of Spain, and the original aim of Rooke's expedition had been to seize Barcelona. When this was found to be loyal to the Archduke's cause, Rooke struck at Gibraltar instead and, appreciating its strategic value, promptly hoisted the

flag in 1726, again made a "final" renunciation of their claims in 1729, and fifty years later launched, with the help of the French, their most ambitious effort to reduce the fortress.

This was Gibraltar's greatest siege, the small British garrison holding out indomitably against vastly superior forces for three years and seven months. The Governor and Commander-in-Chief was the 70-year-old General Eliott, and he only had 5,500 men under his command. There were four British Infantry regiments—the 12th of Foot (the Suffolks), the 39th (the 1st Dorsets), the 58th (2nd Essex) and the 58th (2nd Northants), all of whom wear the castle of Gibraltar on their cap badges to commemorate their gallantry and endurance—the Manchester V. lancers, three Hanoverian regiments, a battery of Marines

struck back to such effect that all the "floating batteries" were blown up or burned out, and the whole offensive collapsed disastrously.

This was Spain's last throw, and the 1789 Peace of Versailles confirmed, for the third time, Britain's right of possession of the historic rock. Soon after, Spain and Britain were allied against Napoleon, and Gibraltar ceased to be an issue between the two nations until recent years.

In World War One, when Spain remained neutral—there are now more than 10 miles of subterranean corridors—and manpower were strengthened against a possible attack but France, though co-operating with the Axis Powers on the Russian front, prudently refrained from committing himself against the Allies.

Most Loyal

Gibraltar today has a civil population of some 23,000, of mixed Mediterranean and Spanish origin who count among Queen Elizabeth's most loyal subjects. Some 12,000 Spanish workmen cross the neutral zone every day to work for the British authorities.

Under a new Constitution promulgated in 1949, the Governor is assisted by a Legislative Council and an Executive Council. The Governor presides over the Legislative Council, which has three ex-officio members, five elected by the popular vote of the Rock's inhabitants, and two nominated members (of whom both may, and one must be, unaffiliated).

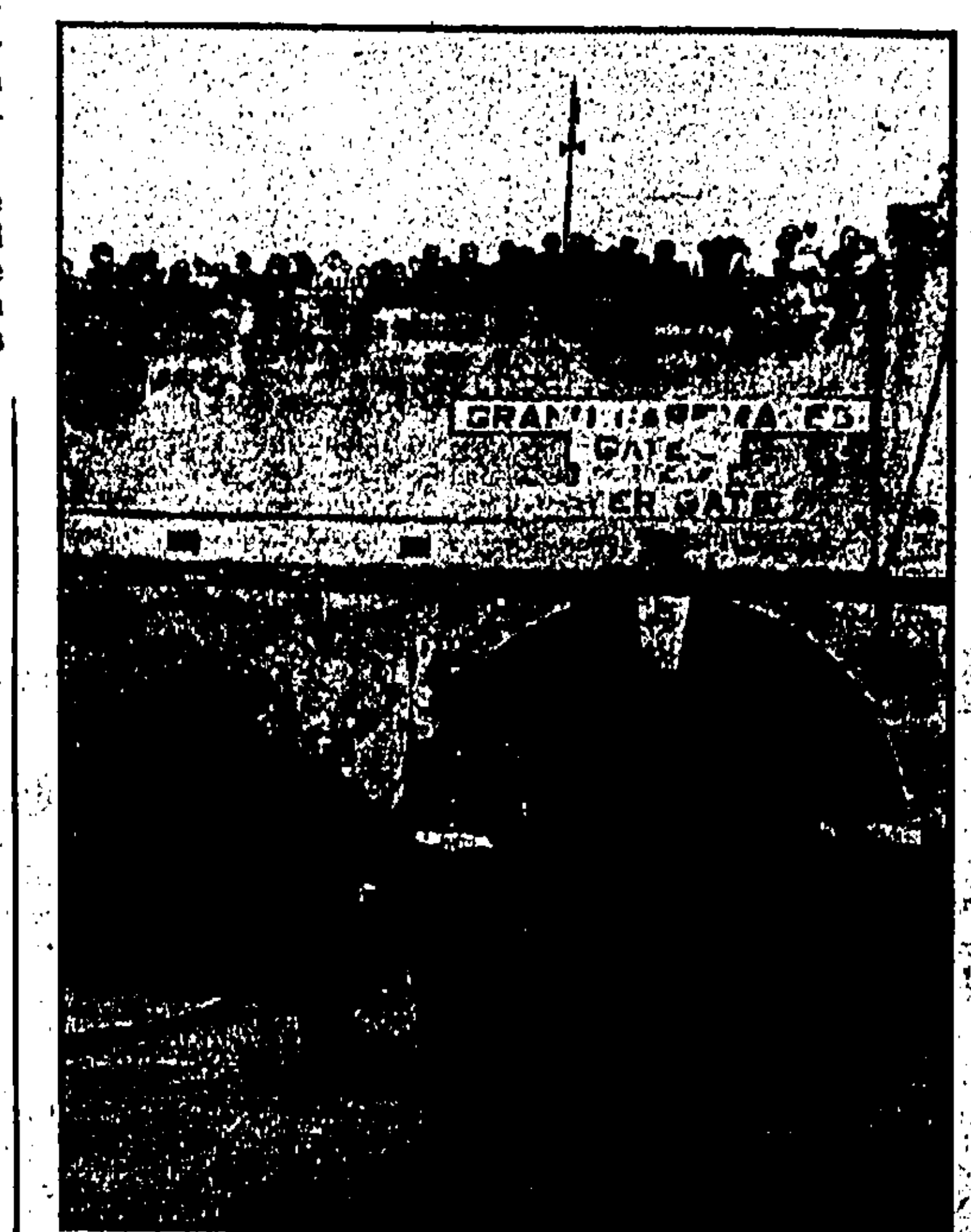
A free port, with an extensive shipping trade and tourist traffic, it derives most of its revenue from port dues, and duties on a variety of commodities. It has virtually no home production, and depends on Spain for its food and on rain storage for drinking water.

There have been two previous Royal visits—by King Edward VII in 1903 and King George V in 1912. George VI had also planned a visit for 1951, but was prevented by illness.

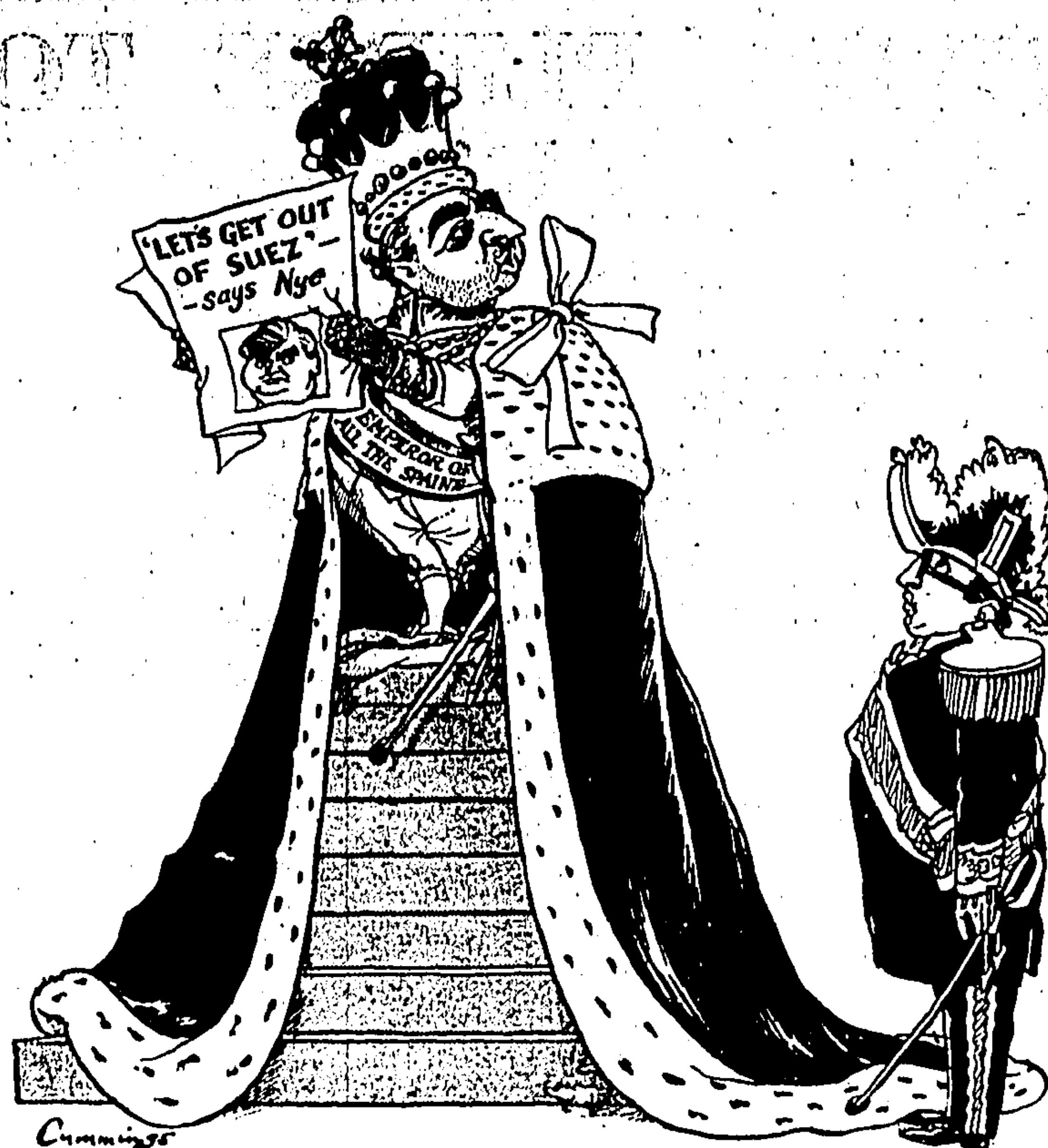
No Intention

During his recent campaign Franco has said that if Gibraltar is returned to Spain, he will leave back to Britain the dockyard and other military installations. But there is no intention in Whitehall to countenance any change in the territorial status of Gibraltar. And Franco's impudent warning of the "resentment" the Queen's visit will cause in Spain has been firmly rejected by the Foreign Office.

In the House of Commons on January 25, Mr Selwyn Lloyd stated that the Spanish Ambassador that he was not prepared to discuss the Queen's visit to any one of her territories and that in no circumstances could he adopt a representation on such a topic from any foreign Power. And Mr Lloyd added that Britain would take a serious view if any hostile demonstrations were organised during the Queen's visit.



The Port Sergeant marching away after "locking" the Water Gate of the fortress at Gibraltar — part of the weekly ceremony of the Keys. The custom dates back to the days of the Great Siege of 1779-1783 and was revived in 1932.



"We must invite Senor Bevan to Gibraltar without delay"

London Express Service

★ DON IDDON'S DIARY ★ MORE PUSH-BUTTON FOR MRS AMERICA

New York, Tuesday. BIG business is obviously out to save the New World for prosperity by electronics, autronics, hydromatics, and several billion dollars of expenditure.

East side, West side, all around the town there are exhibitions dominated by the push-button. The latest in motor-cars, motor-boats, kitchen, and household equipment are on display near the sidewalks of New York.

I could not help thinking as I looked at the "Kitchen of tomorrow brought to you today" in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel: "But can you boil an egg?"

Ovens, grills, ranges appeared, disappeared, slid sideways, backwards and forwards at the pressure of a lever. There was not the slightest resemblance between the old kitchen stove and the gleaming white laboratory on show before the gaping women.

Everything, it appears, is to be automatic, and maybe atomic, in the mechanical world of the future. Perhaps the housewife is becoming superfluous.

The Motorama

THERE was everything in the "Kitchen of tomorrow brought to you today" except food. A demonstrator said this was an oversight, and guided me to the "Motorama" (these strange new words) where the 1954 cars are on exhibition.

Impressive? Very. The automobile industry, stung by talk of a recession, is obviously betting on boom. General Motors president Harlow Curtice is wagering \$1,000,000,000 on expansion.

He says: "No depression is in my vision."

Young Henry Ford, more cautious, is slightly uneasy about rising unemployment, but he also is spending several hundred millions on new models and selling them to the public.

There is something rather ironical about the American customer's worry about a slump. One of the strongest sights of 1954 is a prosperous citizen having his super car equipped with amplifiers so that his forecast of a depression can carry to all his passengers.

Humorist's view

I HEAR men almost every day, while ordering meals which cost 22 or 23, asking the waiter: "Do you think the recession is going to get worse?" The humorist, H. I. Phillips says: "The well-heeled American screams 'Slump' when he has to put less gin in his Martini and make the French poodle go all through the winter in the same mink blanket."

He adds that people are getting worried because in order to pick up money now you have to bend.

Anyway, it is plain that American industry is prepared to bend. I don't know whether you see any of the American magazines, but if you do you will notice that they are carrying more advertising than ever before in their history. Newspapers are printing a record volume of advertising too.

A barometer

MUCH of this advertising is by the motor-car firms. The motor-car industry is the barometer of the American economy — that's why I write about it a good deal. It employs one out of every seven American wage-earners and provides one out of nearly every 14 dollars Americans spend.

Other giant industries—steel, oil, rubber—depend on the motor-car. When the motor-car industry coughs the United States is sick.

In the hope that the cough will not become influenza or pneumonia, the motor-car magnates are ridding their treasure chests to sell their products.

I find it strange that so many businessmen, so ready to pour thousands of millions into "souped-up" selling, are so wary about reducing tariffs. Henry Ford is an exception, but most big executives shy away from drastic tariff reduction.

The report of the President's commission on trade policy has been received with a frigidly here. There's hardly a chance that American tariffs will be slashed or that the "Buy American" programme will be waived.

Standing fast

ACTUALLY, if American tariffs were scrapped entirely, I don't think the overall volume of U.S. business would be affected much. Small sections, such as the watch industry, would possibly be hurt.

Yet most of Congress, and particularly the Republican members, are standing fast against tariff reform. The best we can hope for is another modest expansion of the reciprocal trade programme.

Special interests here still have vast influence. There are only 20,000,000 people in agriculture out of a population of 160,000,000, yet one whisper from the farmers has Washington turning handsprings.

The farmer has been particularly spoiled, supported, and subsidized for years. His high prices are propped by the Government, which means the taxpayer.

The result is that the Government has a glut of food on its hands—800,000,000 lbs. of butter stored away, billions of eggs a

total of \$2,500,000,000 tied up in surplus foodstuffs, and another \$3,000,000,000 in loans to farmers on crops. And it doesn't give the stuff, or rather foodstuff, away.

Despite all the wealth and power of this country, I sometimes think there is a lurking inferiority complex in some Americans. Such stress on the word "imported," such pride in "European styling."

British success with jet airliners rather irked the aviation industry and provoked opposition among Congressmen. British had luck lately with the same jet gave Drew Pearson and other columnists an opportunity to say that Americans were right in refusing to grant certificates.

This conflict

I SEE that the United States News, which has great influence, says that Sir Miles Thomas and all Britons "were" proud of the Comet. What does it mean—"were"?

Life magazine asks: "Did the jet age come too soon?", though it answers: "No, even though the British are going through a painful time ironing out the Comet's bugs."

Perhaps it is this conflict which incenses the high-tariff crowd.

Complaints from British showmen that our shows and films are also not being given a fair chance don't, however, seem valid to me.

If American exhibitors believe our pictures will make money for them they will put them on. Dollar-earning capacity is the one test.

Our plays have had a poor Broadway season, but Henry Sherek hopes for a triumph with T. S. Eliot's "The Confidential Clerk." Sherek called on me and said he was delighted at advance bookings. Alice Guinness, Ina Claire, Joan Greenwood, and Claude Rains should make "The Clerk" a hit.

Farewell party

HALF of Broadway turned out for the party for London's Sleggy Sessler, given by Earl Wilson. I saw Dolores Gray, Sir Cedric Hardwicke, Gloria Swanson, Eva Gabor, Tommy Dorsey, Robert Q. Lewis, Lauren Bacall.

Sessler, who returns to London today, has been feted from here to Hollywood. Scotland's Mary Garden says: "Marriage is all right for some opera singers, but if you have a great career why do you want a man trailing you?"

The British musical, "The Boy Friend," is awaited here. So is the author-composer, Sandy Wilson.

Pedigree For 18 Pence

By J. W. Taylor

THEY are expecting another busy year at Somerset House, dealing with the hundreds of enquiries, some by post, others personally, from Americans anxious to trace their British ancestry.

Remarkable research results are often achieved by the Somerset House experts, sometimes on the flimsiest of clues, although there are times when defeat seems imminent from the start.

Typical is the request from an American called Smith who seeks to establish the genealogical details of a grandfather born "somewhere in the Midlands, England, round about 1805." A common name calls for essential data as the precise date and place of birth; less is needed for a rarer name.

Cost of the search can be modest or very costly, according to the work involved. A sifting of records covering a period of five years at Somerset House costs 1s. 6d. if made in person, and 3s. 6d. if conducted through the post, in which case the applicant must take up a certified copy of an entry at an additional charge of 3s. 6d. An extensive search in person costs 30s. for six consecutive hours.

COLLEGE OF ARMS

The Society of Genealogists, a non-profit making concern, is also available for additional help at appropriate fees. The College of Arms, too, will help at charges that can be high, for the fees expected for private genealogists are appropriate to the high professional skill of the researchers engaged. A long and protracted search, much of it perhaps involving much wasted time on fruitless enquiries, can mean the expenditure of hundreds, perhaps thousands of pounds, before a pedigree can finally be established. The College concerns itself only with families who boast a crest or coat of arms.

The experts do not agree that snobbery has made Americans so ancestor-conscious; they say it comes of a very natural pride in one's origin. Somerset House have the impression, however, that social-climbing may have something to do with it, but admit that with many there are very practical reasons for the quest.

Some seek to establish hereditary right to an estate. There are those who are Latter Day Saint devotees wishing to baptise their ancestors into their faith by proxy. Somerset House records each month regularly swell the posthumous roll of this sect by about 20 a month. Then there are Americans who can trace their descent to the Mayflower, and have through these researches been able to go back in their ancestry to the Middle Ages in England.

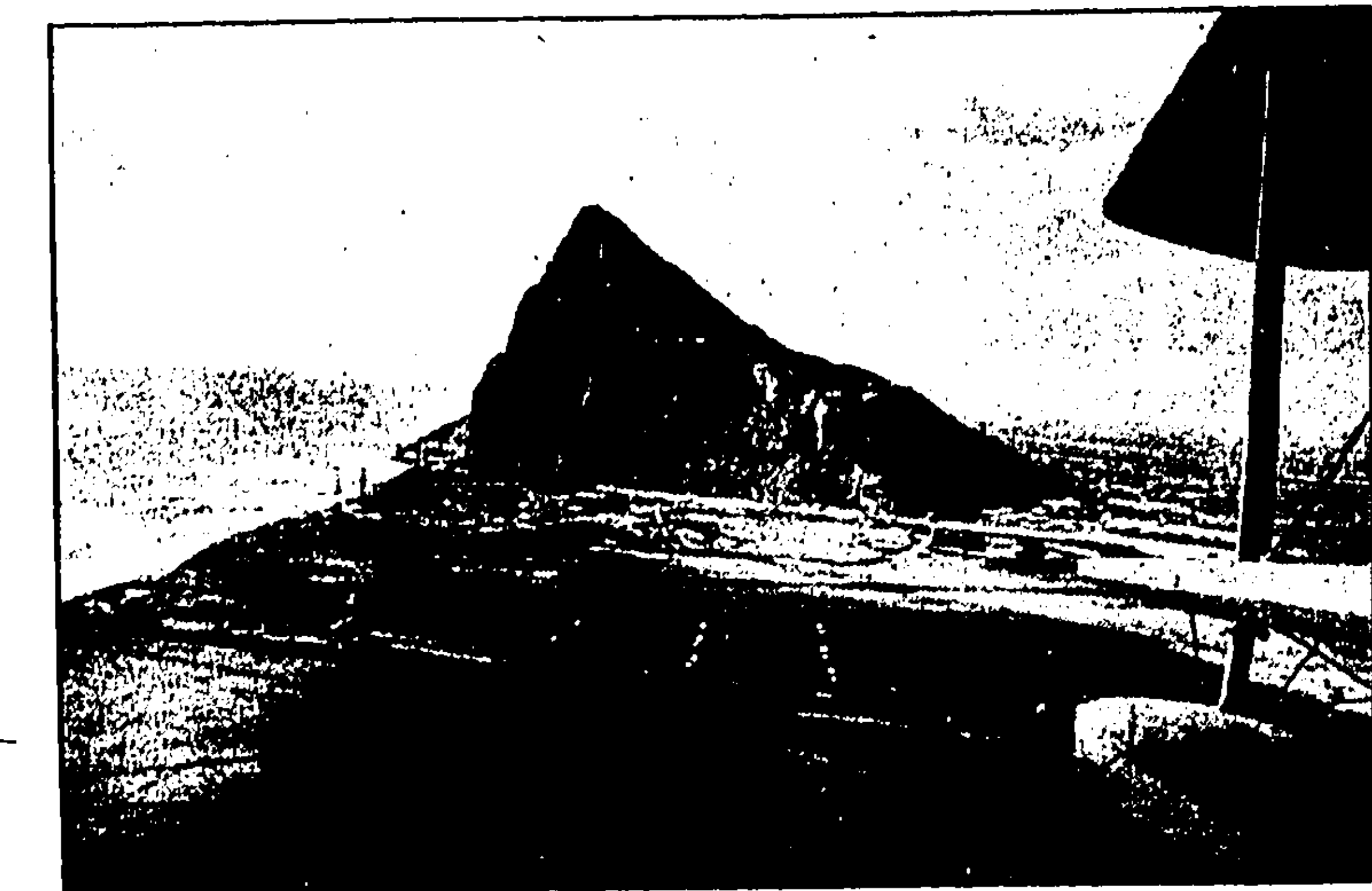
CHURCH RECORDS

Somerset House records in the Strand, London, are chiefly confined to births, marriages and deaths in England and Wales since 1837; Scottish and Irish records are filed in Edinburgh and Dublin. They also include records kept by churches prior to 1837, some of them going back to the middle of the 16th century; census returns since 1801, and military records for about two centuries. Clues sometimes take the researchers to the Somerset House Probate Registry, to the diocesan repositories all over the country; to mediaeval records and land deeds housed at the Public Record Office in Chancery Lane, finally to parish churches throughout the country containing details of births, marriages and deaths from 1538, when registration was introduced by law, in 1837.

The Society of Genealogists not only have an index of parish registers covering the whole country, but other research aids such as the passenger lists of early emigrant ships.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



The Rock of Gibraltar, photographed from the air.

settlement there. It was an important harbour under the Carthaginians; it became the first Roman colony in the whole Iberian peninsula; and it was occupied by the Goths after the fall of the Roman Empire. In the eighth century the Berbers and the Arabs seized it when they invaded Spain; they called the rock (Gebel el Tarik (Mount Tarik) after the name of their leader, and this eventually got deformed into Gibraltar.

The Spaniards first came into the picture in 1309 when Ferdinand II of Castile captured the Moorish castle-fortress, but the

Royal Standard of Queen Anne.

When the war ended, the territory—it is only 3 3/4 miles in length, three-quarters of a mile in breadth, and 1,396 feet high at its highest point—was ceded to Britain under the most unequivocal terms under the Treaty of Utrecht of 1713. This treaty states:

"The Catholic King does hereby for himself, his heirs and successors yield to the Crown of Great Britain the full and entire propriety of the Town and Castle of Gibraltar, together with the Fort, fortifications and forts belonging thereto. And he gives up the said propriety to be held and enjoyed absolutely with all manner of right for ever without any exception or impediment whatsoever."

It was not long before the Spaniards dishonoured their signature. They made an attack on the Rock in 1720, undertook a fruitless



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• BY • THE • WAY • by Beachcomber

ENCOURAGED by the favorable reception (seven ton-fol letters to an evening paper) accorded to his Triangle Traffic Plan, Charlie Suet has supplemented it with a plan for coordinating and scheduling the thirty-four lighting systems at present in use in the streets of London.

Briefly, his plan is to floodlight the lights at red, yellow, and green, so that they would be reflected by an arrangement of glass mirrors placed above and below the fluorescent approach-lights. The colors used in both cases would be green, blue, red, amber and light blue—the latter only at night.

Presumably each road of what I myself. The whole thing.

Twenty Years of Uproar

Orchestra and stage were out of touch at the beginning. (Music critic)

I RECALL an occasion when Maurice Strakosky, the stage director, was in "Fanny" and the orchestra was playing the "Fanny" waltz. Charlie Suet, who was with "Fanny" at the time, was sitting in the audience. He was looking at the stage and the orchestra and the scene-shifters. He was looking at the stage and the orchestra and the scene-shifters. He was looking at the stage and the orchestra and the scene-shifters.

Sheik Nekhash el Foulough

RHODA like many other people who are famous, she is a very private person. But she puts her off with playful replies. She is a very private person. But she puts her off with playful replies. She is a very private person. But she puts her off with playful replies.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

BORN today, you have a kindly and likable personality. You are friendly wherever you go and you are a "softy." This is a very good thing, for you are a very good person. You are a very good person. You are a very good person.

You are a little too critical of others and a little too self-critical. You are a little too critical of others and a little too self-critical. You are a little too critical of others and a little too self-critical.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—In all discussions, always be calm and unbiased. Don't get excited over issues just now.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Good will can bring harmony. Good will can bring harmony. Good will can bring harmony.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Get caught up in necessary work at the office so you can plan a free and relaxing week-end at home.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Impulse is not for you today. Think every move over and carefully before you start to act.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—This may be a day of waiting, if clouds are dark overhead, sunshine and a rainbow are near at hand.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Do one thing at a time and finish it before starting anything else and you will make better progress.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Expect your best efforts to keep harmony in the household. An angry word could bring serious repercussions.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Don't depend upon others, but do what is necessary yourself and you will feel true satisfaction.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Don't procrastinate. Do all the important and necessary things right on time and you'll be glad.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Don't hold anything over until next week. Do everything that should be finished today, efficiently.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—If planning a short trip out of town over the week-end, make all your arrangements today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—Be grateful that you are here by the end of the year. Be grateful that you are here by the end of the year.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Good Play and Luck
Win Bridge Hands

NORTH			
♠ A Q 3			
♥ A 10 7 5			
♦ 10 9 4			
WEST			
♠ K 8 7 2			
♥ K 8 3 2			
♦ K 4			
♣ J 5			
EAST			
♠ Q J 10 9 5			
♥ 4			
♦ 8 8			
♣ K 8 7 3 2			
SOUTH (D)			
♠ 4			
♥ Q J			
♦ A Q J 10 7 5 3 2			
♣ A Q			
North-South vul.			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 N.T.	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♠ 2			

BY OSWALD JACOBY

THIS hand may strike your fancy," writes Phil Garland, well-known Tacoma expert. "My partner took a finesse successfully but couldn't afford to repeat the finesse even though the repetition would surely succeed."

"The hand was bid to the limit, of course, but we needed a few good scores to win the Open Pair event in the Port Angeles championships, and you don't get good scores by just sitting still. West opened a low spade, and my partner, Charlie Davidson, put up dummy's ace in order to try the trump finesse."

"If he had found the king of trumps on side, the hand would have been easy, but West won the king of diamonds and tried to cash the king of spades. Charlieuffed and led out a few rounds of trumps, discarding two low hearts from the dummy in the hope of disguising his great interest in dummy's hearts."

"His next step was to lead the jack of hearts for a finesse. West played low, and the finesse succeeded. It was now clear, of course, that West had the king of hearts, because East would have been happy to take the setting trick if he had been able to do so. But Charlie couldn't afford to lead the queen of hearts and let it ride, because then he would be stuck in his own hand with no way to avoid the loss of a club trick."

"My partner led out the rest of his trumps, hoping to discover who had the king of clubs. West had to keep two hearts and could therefore keep only one club. He discarded one club with such unconcern that it seemed unlikely that he had the king of clubs. This wasn't evidence that would stand up in a court of law, of course, but it was better than nothing."

"Charlie finally led the queen of hearts, hoping that West had only the king left. But West could still play a low heart. So he declared put up dummy's ace of hearts and led a club towards his hand. He tried the slam finesse, and made the slam when that finesse worked."

"Slightly lucky, but rather interesting, don't you think?" Very interesting, indeed. Mr. Davidson played the hand very well, but I think that West could have given him a rough time by discarding the jack of clubs and saving the low club. This might make it look as though his remaining club had to be the blank king. However, if defenders were always full of diabolical cunning this would be a tough world for ambitious bidders.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1 Heart	Pass	1 Spade	Pass
2 Diamonds	Pass		

Q—You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-J-7-3, Heart 4, Diamonds K-Q-5-3-2, Clubs A-J. What do you do?

A—Bid four no-trump. If your partner has only one ace, you will stop at five diamonds. If he has two aces, you will go on to six diamonds. If he has three aces you will bid the grand slam in diamonds.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding has been: North 1 Heart, East Pass, South 1 Heart, West 2 Hearts. Pass.

You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-J-7-3, Heart 4, Diamonds K-Q-5-3-2, Clubs A-J. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

WHAT'S HIS LINE?

T. I. VERNON

Preserving the letters to open the occupation.

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WOMANSENSE

Latest Trend In Hat Styles



FROM the new spring hat collections in Paris came the waning of the smart, severe little hat—untrimmed, chic, but hard to carry off. In its place: the Frankly Pretty Hat. It is complicated, small, flowery, and flattering, and you wear it straight or slightly tilted forward.

Three of the prettiest are pictured here—

ABOVE: Yellow crinkled chiffon pill-box with a huge flower on the side.

TOP RIGHT: Yellow and orange flowers on a crown of twisted green tulle stalks.

RIGHT: Grey and white striped silk, trimmed with big red flowers.



The Perfect House Guest

By Helen Follett

THE well-mannered house guest should not borrow beauty aids from her hostess. Cosmetics are personal belongings. No woman cares to have others dipping into her jar of cream or spraying on her expensive perfume, and the like.

The girl who is lucky enough to be invited to house parties over week-ends should have a travel case of cosmetics. There are many in the shops, and at all prices. Some are so

reasonable they won't make much of a dent in the beauty budget. These cases are a good investment because they're wonderfully convenient for long vacation trips, too.

Some kits come filled with cosmetics. These usually contain cleansing and night creams, hand lotion, powder, rouge and lipstick. The larger cases provide room for tissues, toothpaste and other beauty essentials.

If she wants to be invited again, the house guest should be neat and tidy. If she leaves her room in disorder, she will get a low mark and no return trip. She should tidy the bathroom, folding towels carefully, washing the tub after she has her bath.

If there is no maid, she should lend a helping hand with the housework. Above everything else, she should not overstay her welcome there.

Paris Dress Shows Bring Spring Nearer...

By A. Edwards & D. Beyfus

PARIS. YOUNGER than spring-time was the mood of the Paris dress shows last week-end. Like a cloud of spring flowers the girls drifted by in their dresses of April sky blue, mimosa, wild rose, snowdrop white and green, buttercup, blue-bell, and primrose.

It brought spring a little nearer... and, as it turned out, it was perfect timing by that famous publicist and dress designer Jacques Fath. For it made his dress show as cheering as a flash of warm sunshine in this freezing Paris.

It was not only the spring flower colours that were good to look at. The dresses too were what you longed to take home and wear on the first fine day that comes along. And that is something unusual for the eccentric Mr Fath.

THE CHOICE

The big question in the fashion world is not whether to wear skirts shorter—they are fixed at the length that suits you best.

The question smart women will have to decide is whether to be comfortable or curved—whether to have a boned and corseted waist, or no waist.

The recent dress show did nothing to solve the problem, for there were plenty of both kinds of dresses.

Among the clothes that were right around the middle: Tweed or the silk suits, straight tweed dresses with big cape collars, and vast evening dresses in pale colours. All these have homes sewn into the dress.

Among the clothes that were loose round the middle: Chiffon coats with slack collars, loose tweed or cotton jackets—

sometimes hip-length and sometimes reaching to the knees. Fashionable and pretty were the white muslin evening dresses, short or ground length, embroidered in yellow-sequined mimosa or pansies, or blue-sequined forget-me-nots. The tulle stoles used as a single colour contrast, like sky-blue tulle and mimosa satin.

The black silk cocktail dresses with boat neck and a bow on each shoulder. The dark grey, navy, and tobacco wool suits. Necklaces in turquoise and garnet.

GOLF BALL EARRINGS

New but not so wearable were the sky-blue earrings the size and shape of golf balls. The pointed satin slippers sequined on the toes.

White jersey dresses, white flannel great-coats, white plique printed with black cornflowers. And better for London than anything London has thought of: Jersey dresses in dark grey or snuff brown. Detachable starched white plique collars that you take off when you want to wear a little less.

The silk suits with long fitted jackets and knife-pleated skirts. Rough tweed dresses, with big collars and boned waists, which button right down the front.

TO SUM UP—Most of the clothes were the kind that most women like to wear. But it was not a show to shock the ears of you. And it is shock tactics, alas, that makes the fashion world go round.

Woman Of 60 Dives Afire Into Tank For Amusement

St Petersburg, Fla.

ELLA CARVER looks like the hundreds of grey-haired grandmothers who have come to the Florida Gulf Coast to relax in the sun, chat with their neighbours and knit sweaters for their grandchildren.

But Miss Carver, who uses her maiden name, doesn't knit or gossip for relaxation. Her idea of a good time is to climb a 90-foot steel tower, cut herself with gasoline, set it afire, and dive into a steel tank containing five feet of water.

Another one of her amusements is to climb on one of her five trained horses, and then with her mount leap from a 40-foot tower into a tank of water 12 feet deep.

Performer for 50 Years

Ella Carver, at 60, is a carnival performer—has been since she was 10 and following her father around the carnival circuit.

Her father originated the diving horse act the year she was born.

"Heights have never worried me," said Miss Carver. "When I was a kid in Bluefield, W. Va., I climbed every tree in the county. My mother always worried about me."

Her seven brothers and sisters decided against a carnival career. Her son, Lewis, tried the act for a while but quit to join the Navy.

The performing grandmother toured Japan and other parts of the Orient twice, before World War II and still laughs over some of the experiences on the return trip.

Never Hurt—Much

"I kept in shape by doing serial acts on the ship's rigging," she said. "Once I dived off the ship's bridge when we were anchored. The captain was horrified."

She has been burned, repeatedly in her "fire dive," but never seriously enough to cancel her act.

Actually, Miss Carver said, she can remember only a few occasions when she was at all uneasy.

Once was at Iron Mountain, Mich., in 1938, when she missed a dive and hit her head on the bottom of the tank.

"My son pulled me out," she said. "I made a few stitches, but I was all right."

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr Punch's Peculiar Circus

—His Trick Performers were All Insects—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, ran up to their friend Mr Punch, who was sitting and napping in the easy chair under the sunny window.

They both shouted joyfully: "Mr Punch! Do you know what's just come to town?"

Slowly Wakes Up

Mr Punch opened his eyes slowly. In fact, he opened one eye at a time. Finally, when both eyes were open and he had blinked the sleep out of both of his eyelids, he smiled and said in a gentle voice: "If I understood you correctly (and I don't) you said something about what or who just came to town."

At this, Knarf said: "The circus just came to town!" "Ah," said Mr Punch, "that's good news. I always liked the circus. When I was a boy, I had my own circus."

This piece of news was so astonishing that Knarf and Hanid, who had heard many astonishing things from Mr Punch, could hardly believe their own ears.

"You really had your own circus, Mr Punch?" Hanid exclaimed.

"Certainly," said Mr Punch. "What's so strange about that?"

"But nobody ever has his own circus," said Knarf.

"That may be," said Mr Punch, "but I had a circus just the same. It was called Punch's Peculiar and Positively Perfect Circus. I named up the 'name myself,' he added.

"The size of it," said Mr Punch. "Another thing that was peculiar about it was the animals and clowns that acted in it."

Knarf and Hanid were both eager to know more about Mr Punch's Peculiar and Positively Perfect Circus. Mr Punch then lit his pipe and explained everything.

"Now I kept my whole circus under a tent, on a table in my

playroom. And the animals and clowns weren't horses and lions and tigers and elephants and men. They were grasshoppers and spiders and crickets and caterpillars and beetles and frogs."

"Did they do tricks?" Knarf asked.

"Indeed they did," replied Mr Punch. "The spider walked a tight-rope from one side of the tent to the other and she dangled and swung through the air on a trapeze which she spun herself out of cobweb."

"The beetle was a juggler. He could balance a blade of grass on the end of his nose."

"The acrobats were tumblebugs. They could roll up like a ball and roll all around the ring."

"My trained caterpillars were better than elephants. I had half a dozen of them who went round and round in a big circle, each one holding on to the next one's tail."

"The grasshoppers were acrobats, too. They did somersaults in the air. The frogs were my high-diving champions. They stood at the top of the tent and dove into a cup of water with hardly a splash."

"The cricket was better than a lion-tamer, except that he tamed dragonflies, hornets, wasps and bumble bees."

"And who were your clowns?" asked Hanid.

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"We give up," said Knarf and Hanid.

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WEALTH OF NEW TALENT IN SCHOOLBOYS' BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

By "ARGONAUT"

A wealth of new talent and an improved standard of badminton were the gratifying features of the opening games of the 1954 Colony Schoolboys' and Schoolgirls' Open Championships at the Queen's College courts yesterday.

The most impressive display was by Chu Sai-wah of Pui Chung School. Competing in the junior class, Chu accounted for DBS's Sinn Dung-shun by 15-0 and 18-17 and during the two-set game showed himself to be a good miniature of shuttle king Wong Peng-moon in build, footwork, strokes and court mannerisms.

Under proper coaching, the Pui Chung player is a safe bet not only to garner the Colony title in five or six years' time but also to make himself conspicuous in international badminton. He looks the most promising player Hongkong has ever had.

The Midget class event, introduced for the first time and limited to students of under 15 years of age and five feet in height, was given an excellent start.

The fighting spirit of such "midgets" as Sinn Dung-shun and the two Wong brothers, Philip and Martin, as they grappled their teeth and fought undauntedly against opponents who were more than a foot taller deserves special mention.

One of them, however, Wong Kai-lam of Clement Middle School, standing barely two inches less in height, showed that size was not all in the game. Playing like a seasoned veteran, Wong kept his much bigger schoolmate, Lee Hoo-kuen, on the run throughout the two sets with beautifully executed drops, lobs and drives to win comfortably by 15-7 and 15-3.

In the two most closely-contested games of the evening

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 8th Race Meeting 1953/54 to be held on Saturday 27th February and Saturday 6th March, 1954, (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Sham Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday 16th February, 1954.

By Order of the Stewards,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB SEVENTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 13th February 1954.
(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 8 RACES

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m.
The Secretary's office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him. Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each payable at the Gate. Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS & REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths in the Members' Betting Hall.

CASH SWEEPS

The cost of a Through Ticket is \$10.00 Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 12th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguiar Street and 332 Nathan Road, during normal office hours and until 11 a.m. on the race day.

TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER. NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
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Schoolboys—Junior—Singles:
Tang Siu-on (WYHK) conceded a walkover to Leo Legasbi (LSC).
Man Kwok-wai (DBS) beat Cheung Pak-wai (MHP) 15-2; 15-0.
Chu Sai-wah (Pui Chung) beat Sinn Dung-shun (DBS) 15-0; 18-17.

Chan Yuen-yuen (SSC) beat Au Yeung Wai-kai (MHP) 15-3; 15-0.
Chan Kai-yim (CMS) received a walkover from Chan Sai-tim (WYHK).
Chan Hung-kwong (WYHK) beat Jose Basto (RGVS) 11-15; 15-10.

Schoolboys—Midget—Singles:
Henry Wong (DBS) beat Sinn Dung-shun (LSC) 15-0; 15-0.
Wong Kai-lam (CMS) beat Lee Hoo-kuen (CMS) 15-7; 15-3.

Loong Tze-lun (NTC) beat Philip Wong (WYHK) 15-3; 15-1.
Leung King-ha (NTC) beat Martin Q. Wong (WYHK) 15-5; 15-1.

Lee Chi-wing (LSC) conceded a walkover to Henry Yung (SSGS).

TOMORROW'S GAMES

(At GTC 6 p.m.)

Schoolboys—Senior—Singles:
Ed. Marquitz Lim (LSC) v. Chan Keen-yui (QC); S.M. Runjah (QC) v. Ko Wai-bong (Tsing Hwa).

Students—Mixed—Doubles:
Wong Hin-nin (QC) & Ruby Hu v. Hui Ki-bun (KC) & Helen Chiu (SHS); Edward Basto (LSC) & Marie Barros (MC) v. Manfred Kan (KH) & Betty Cheung (FC).

Schoolgirls—Singles:
Elsa Lau (FC) v. Diana Chui (SMS).

Schoolgirls—Doubles:
Loretta Chan & Mary Sin (SMS) v. Diana Yung (SSGS) & Chan Yuen-yue (YVC).

Schoolboys—Midget—Doubles:
Chan Ping-yuen & Chau Chau-hong (CMS) v. Wong Kai-lam & Hung Hin-shum (CMS).

WEEK-END SOFTBALL

The following are the Softball League matches for this week-end and the umpires assigned:

Saturday
Juniors—Comets v. P.I. Dodgers (A), umpire, M. Nunes and two Monarchs players; Cubs v. Rockies (B), umpire, Gary Yen. H. Hornball, at 2.30 p.m. Monarchs v. C.A.A. (1), (A) Bill Silva, C. Remedio, S. Frequent, Pansu v. C.A.A. (2), (B) D. S. Ling, R. Osmen, R. Hamel, at 4 p.m.

Sunday
Senior "A"—Braves v. South China (A), umpire, Mario Pereira, R. Sumner, 2 p.m. C.A.A. v. St. Joseph's (A), C. Ponsner, W. Ma, Chev Toi, 3.30 p.m.
Senior "B"—Wildfires v. Delawares (A), H. Wing Lee and two Braves players; Americans v. HKU, (B), A. Oliveira, Y. Kue, T. Rey Jr (B), at 11 a.m.
Ladies' Senior—Whitona "A" v. Pandas (A), R. Vienna, O. Souza, M. Ferns, 9.30 a.m.
Ladies' Junior—South China v. C.A.A. (1), T. Wu, Eddie Souza, L. Loh, 9.30 a.m.

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SPECTACULAR LEAP



Boniperti, the Italian centre-forward, makes a spectacular leap to boot the ball during the Italy v. Egypt match in Milan, which Italy won by 5 goals to 1. On the left is Helmi of Egypt.—Express Photo.

West Indies In A Commanding Position In Second Test

Bridgetown, Feb. 10.

The West Indies were in a commanding position at the close of play today in the second Test match against England, having amassed a lead of 474 runs with nine wickets in hand.

The score at the close was:
West Indies, 1st innings, 382.
England, 1st innings, 181.
West Indies, 2nd innings, 272
for one.

Holt was still unbeaten with 106 when stumps were drawn. His total includes one six and 21 fours. He has batted 280 minutes so far. He reached his first Test century in 172 minutes.

The second wicket stand between Holt and Worrell has so far realised 221 runs in 210 minutes, only seven short of the record West Indies second-wicket partnership against England.

Worrell's score was 74 not out. The new ball was available after tea at 170, but Hutton persisted with slow bowlers for 40 more minutes. He took 11 at 221 after Holt had scored 13 off one Compton over.

Holt and Worrell continued battling in the manner of top-class batsmen at net practice against second-rate bowlers. West Indies did not enforce the follow-on when they dismissed England for 181 soon after the start of the fourth day's play today.

The England innings ended without addition to the overnight score. The remaining batsmen, Lock and Statham, prodded defensively for three overs, then Statham swung wildly in Valentine's next over and skied a catch to cover.

After Stollmeyer was run out for the second time in the match—Worrell and Holt remained unbeaten until the close.

THE SCOREBOARD

West Indies, 2nd Innings

Holt, not out 186

Stollmeyer, run out 76

Worrell, not out 4

Extras 4

Total (for one wk.) 272

The first wicket fell at 51.

Bowling So Far

O M R W

Statham 12 0 41 0

Balby 12 1 48 0

Lock 30 13 82 0
Laker 29 0 89 0
Palmer 5 1 15 0
Compton 1 0 13 0
—Reuter.

Farewell To Three Grand Old Men

By ARCHIE QUICK

Three famous sportsmen died last week on the same day, Sir Henry Leveson-Gower, Vivian Woodward and Wagstaffe Simmons.

Sir Henry, knighted only last year and better known as "Shrimp", was cricket captain of Winchester School, Oxford University, Surrey and England. He was also organiser of the Scarborough Festival which he inaugurated nearly fifty years ago.

He was treasurer of the Surrey Club and President for twenty years. He was a Test Selector and he toured with the MCC in South Africa and the West Indies. He was a genial man, ever ready to help, and I am but one of the many Prospects who have profited by his knowledge, advice and willingly given information.

Wagstaffe Simmons was a Director of Tottenham Hotspur and he was a member of the Football Association Council for 25 years. He was also a Fleet Street reporter for 50 years. But I remember him best when he ordered out of the Spurs Boardroom the wife of a foreign Ambassador with the brusque comment: "No women allowed in here!"

Woodward was a frail man who relied upon skill at centre-forward to beat a team of master dribblers and a powerful shot. He was wounded in World War I, and although he lived to be 74, his health for the past ten years had been very poor. Most of that time he has spent in a London hospital, and his finances not being of the best, he received generous support from his two old clubs and the Football Association.

It was only two weeks ago that he said: "I wish some of my old footballing cronies would come along and visit me." That was a cry from the heart of a lonely old man who contributed so much skill and pleasure to the game of soccer.

One of his last visitors was Len Braund, the old Surrey, Somerset and England all round cricketer and that was quite an effort on Len's part—for he has no legs. Woodward was a fine cricketer too, and it is over a quarter of a century now since I saw him knock up a century for Middlesex Wanderers on record, and, for an amateur, so

FOOTBALLING IDOL

Vivian Woodward was the footballing idol of a past generation. Although most of his active career was spent with Spurs and Chelsea, he was a true amateur, never taking expenses, and was one of the overseas pioneers of the game with Middlesex Wanderers. His 66 "caps" for England—26 full ones and 40 amateurs—is a record, and, for an amateur, so

There Are Too Many 'Mr Grundys' In The Golf World

Says JEAN DONALD

Men—even the most gallant of them—are apt to look on women as a nuisance on the golf course. I want to join the issue with them on that score. It's high-time the woman player had a champion—and I mean to tackle the job!

I've been playing golf since I was about six years old, and I know how much encouragement our girls—from beginners to experts—need.

The Americans teach the game in their schools and colleges with results all too familiar to us in the international field. But my main concern here is not so much the top class women golfers as those just coming into the game.

I know many beginners are nervous about breaking into a field which, they might feel with justification, has for so long been a man's more than a woman's preserve.

There are still some clubs where women are merely tolerated, some where they aren't allowed at all.

In most cases the women pay a reduced subscription, some-

times as low as half, so they must expect to lose some of the privileges.

They may find that they can play only during the week or only between certain hours during the week-end.

DEPLORABLE

There is, I believe, one club which has a deplorable rule, banning all women from playing unless they are partnered by their husbands. What a piece of Mr Grundyism!

But practically all municipally owned courses, and a fair number of private clubs give facilities to women in proportion

to the lower fees they are charged.

And now that so many of the "all male" clubs—and their professionals—are feeling a financial pinch, I think the day will come when most clubhouse doors will be opened to us.

The initial expense—with clubs costing around £3 each and bags up to £12—is another alarming thought for the beginner.

But I began as a six-year-old with a driver, a putter and a masher, building up gradually with the occasional birthday present until I achieve my first matched set at 16.

Now I have the "full bag" of 14 clubs—4 woods and 10 irons. A playing outfit of that kind—bag included—might cost more than £60. But I would suggest about a quarter of that as a fair outlay in the early stages.

Five clubs make a good beginners' set—brassie, mid-iron (No. 3), masher (No. 5) masher-club (No. 7) and putter.

If you work hard at the game and by this I mean practice, practice, and yet more practice, you will get a tremendous amount of enjoyment out of it.

So far my golf has taken me, apart from almost every corner of the United Kingdom, to France, Belgium, America, and South Africa. I have played on a tremendous variety of courses under many different conditions. It has been an exciting experience.

We can't all make the world our golfing parish, but we can all get our own kind of "kick" out of the game.—(London Express Service).

Colony Tennis Championships

With the exception of one game which, although lasting only two sets, won to a total of 24 games, all other matches were one-sided affairs in yesterday's play for the Colony's Singles Grass Court Tennis Championships on the HKCC courts at Chater Road.

Choi Tin-kin, J. Saul and E. Saubolle dropped out on one game each in overcoming their respective opponents.

Two games were unfinished and will be played off tomorrow.

Today's programme will feature the matches between K.C. Dao and B.S. Lee on Court 2, Edwin Tsai and Lee Wai-long on Court 3 and Fritz Lin and K. F. Lee on Court 1.

It is expected that both Tsai and Dao will go through to the next round without much trouble, but in the Lin v. Lee match, a sterner duel should occur.

THE RESULTS
The results of the games played yesterday were: Saul failed to beat K. F. Lee, 1-6; Lee won 6-1, 6-0; J. C. Dao lost to Choi Tin-kin 0-6, 1-6; J. Saul beat J. C. Dao 6-0, 6-1; E. Saubolle beat Lee Wai-long 6-0; C. F. Lee beat V. C. Kung 7-6, 7-4.

THE MATCHES PLAYED BY C.S. Chen and V. Wong, Francis Ma and F. Lonne were unfinished.

TODAY'S GAMES

Court 1: Fritz Lin v. K.F. Lee, Court 2: B.S. Lee v. K.C. Dao, Court 3: E. Tsai v. Lee Wai-long, Court 4: E.J.B. White v. P.H. Li, Court 5: C.C. Tsui v. A.V. Siu, Court 6: R.B. Moore v. T. Lo, Court 7: V.L. Chung v. K. Lo, Court 8: A. D. Barnett v. V.T. Wang.

TOMORROW

Court 1: A. C. B. Hopkins v. P. Simon, Court 2: C. S. Cheng v. V. Wong, Court 3: Y. Khan v. V. S. Muni v. S. L. Ma & P. F. Tsai, Court 4: C. C. Tsui & K. F. Lee v. E. J. B. White & P. H. Li, Court 5: E. J. B. White & P. H. Li v. E. J. B. White & P. H. Li, Court 6: E. J. B. White & P. H. Li v. E. J. B. White & P. H. Li, Court 7: E. J. B. White & P. H. Li v. E. J. B. White & P. H. Li, Court 8: E. J. B. White & P. H. Li v. E. J. B. White & P. H. Li.

There is no game on Court No. 4 which will be used for any unfinished games in tonight's matches. The Swedish players from Manila are giving an exhibition on the Cricket Club courts and there will, therefore, be no Colony Tennis Championship games next Monday and Tuesday.

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Stroke Is Oxford's Chief Problem

As yet there is no ready-made stroke at either university for this year's Centenary Boat Race; but, as was the case in 1953, one will no doubt be discovered both at Oxford and Cambridge before April 3 (writes Hylton Cleaver).

The Oxford A and B crews, who are still being kept in training, were stroked by Australiana J. McLeod and E.B. Vine respectively on their last outing.

There are four Australian candidates for Blue in this historic year, and all of them are at Oxford. E. O. G. Palm was Australia's Olympic seven in 1952, and is quite the best oar available.

He looks like being a great influence over the boat as was Louis McCagg, of USA, in the Cambridge crew last year. He has taken Quick's old seat at 7, which leaves the latter, who is president, to row 4.

The fourth Australian, J.A. Dobbo, was spare man last year and is now three in A crew, so there seems quite a chance of all four racing against Cambridge. This would make history in itself.

I watched Oxford cover 14 miles of the Wallingford Reach at a firm paddle—six and a half miles of it without an ending.

RAF EIGHT

It was, of course, bitterly cold, and the only people on the launch were Christopher Davidge as coach, Richard Burnell, Olympic gold medal winner of 1948, and myself.

The outing was specially interesting because the Oxford Probables and Possibles had the company of the RAF eight from Benson. It included five of last year's winning Thames Cup crew—all available until the Head of the River race.

Gavin Sorrell, stroke of our Olympic four at Helsinki, is on a course, but will be back in mid-February.

One of the most effective men in the Oxford A crew is J. M. Wilson, the only Old Blue available apart from Quick and W. R. Marsh, the cox.

Among the new men, I liked the latest member of the Rakes family from Radley R. D. T., the son of David.

He is rowing No. 6 in A crew. Another Radleyan, J. G.

Davenport, whose brother got a Blue last year, is at bow in B crew.

Most of the rest have been changing places and even crews daily in the effort to discover the best order of rowing, and it does not look as if the first eight is by any means settled yet.

UNEVEN

Stroke certainly provides the biggest problem. McLeod has rhythm but not much attack, and his leg work is uneven.

In general, there is a lack of weight about the Oxford Probables, but it is certainly wise to use the Wallingford Reach which provides the longest stretch of water between locks to be found on the Upper Thames and is nearer to Oxford than Henley.

(London Express Service)

Miami-Nassau Yacht Race

Nassau, Bahamas, Feb. 10. The green-hulled Hoot Mon, a 39-foot speedster owned jointly by three Miamians, captured the 16th annual Miami to Nassau race on corrected time today, although it finished last among the 25 yachts entered.

Hoot Mon, owned by Woody Pirie, Charlie Ulmer and Worth Brown, used its eight-hour handicap to wind up with a corrected time of 19 hours 33 minutes.

Second place went to Marie Amelle, a yawl owned by Gabriel Giannini of Oyster Bay, New York, with a corrected time of 19 hours 59 minutes. Hilario, a 55-foot yawl owned by Hugh Scuddelee of Grand Rapids, Michigan, earned a corrected time of 20 hours 12 minutes to take third place. United Press.

SOCCER ON THE INSIDE

(Edited by Marshall Fallows)

When Norman Low, the Norwich manager, went to watch Leicester's Cup replay with Stoke he took with him Billy Furness, who has been appointed first team coach and trainer.

Furness, capped for England as an inside forward while playing for Leeds, coached Peter Gordon and Ron Hansell in the reserves until they won their first team places. Now he has been promoted with them.

Most welcome traveller in Norwich is centre half Reg Foulkes, who represents a chocolate and ice cream manufacturing company.

Says Foulkes: "I have many calls to catch up with after a whole week away training at Brighton. It is taking quite a time—I have to tell the story of how we beat Arsenal wherever I go."

If Norwich (Division III South) beat Leicester in the next round Foulkes will need an assistant.

WHERE IS HE?

What's happened to Neil Franklin of England and Bogota fame?

Jack Hill, ex-England and Burnley pivot, now on Hull City's administration staff, says: "Neil is still one of the best centre-halves in the country—maybe the best."

"He's as fit as ever, and though he's playing in Hull's reserve side at the moment he's bound to be back in League Soccer soon."

The quest for League points and Cup glory makes pro Soccer a tough business. But that doesn't eliminate sportsmanship. How's this for a nice gesture?

Before the Lincoln Cup tie with Preston, Lincoln manager Bill Anderson received a good luck telegram from Mrs. Bill Dodgin (wife of Brentford's manager) and daughter Jean.

Yet a week earlier Lincoln had gone to Griffin Park and snatched a couple of priceless points from the struggling Bees.

Saturday is special dispensation night for big Duggie Reid of Portsmouth.

After a match he can express his opinions freely and forcibly. He can call chairman Vernon Stokes the worst blooming chairman in football if he likes—and Mr. Stokes won't mind.

Everyone at Pompey recognises Duggie's whole-hearted club

spirit, his level-headedness. Hence the dispensation. Ask him which team he wants to play for and he'll tell you "any team...so long as I'm not twelfth man."

Mention Vernon Stokes and Duggie grins, shuffles his feet, and says: "Aw, Mr. Stokes is always kidding me..."

NOVELTY

One of the training novelties introduced by Derby County at the Baseball ground is relay racing with a ball.

Players are split into two teams. Each man in turn dribbles half way round the track and back. First team to complete the trip wins.

West Bromwich Albion, Division I leaders, are leaving nothing to chance in their bid for the League and Cup double.

Take the tie with Rotherham. Why did Albion make ball control look so easy on the bone-hard ground?

Here's the secret...for weeks the West Bromwich boys had been practising with a rubber ball on a concrete pitch. Now their foresight is being rewarded.

Southern United still hope to persuade Reading to part with centre-forward Ken Blackburn. Other clubs have similar ideas.

Reading's answer is to appoint Blackburn captain. They want him to stay at Elm Park.

Ron accepted the appointment with a grin and added: "I'm happy here and shall stay as long as you want me."

(London Express Service)

WORRYING WORRELL, THE MAGNIFICENT MENACE

By GEORGE WHITING

London.

One down—and Frank Worrell in! That is the none too cosy state of affairs in the far West Indies as our cricketers play Test Match No. 2 at Barbados. The prospect, frankly, will warm no frozen bones back here at home.

Everton Weekes may clout our discredited pace attack with the explosiveness of a blunderbuss, Ramadhin and Valentine may continue to torment crease-bound batsmen. But the smooth acquisition of immaculate runs by Frank MacGlynn Worrell could well prove the greatest menace of them all—as it was in the West Indies in 1948, and in England two years later.

Some of our opponents say log-break splinters that enabled Worrell to contribute so elegantly and so considerably to five defeats of England. Only once, at Manchester in 1950, have we managed to beat a West Indies team with Worrell in it.

He used to bat next to the roller, until, promoted to the middle order—and later to No. 3—he began sharing solid partnerships with the sedate John Goddard.

At 19, he and Goddard established themselves in a stand of 502 for the fourth wicket at Bridgetown.

Worrell's score was 300. Two years later, in 1948, he contributed 255 to an unbroken partnership of 574 with C. L. Walcott at Port of Spain.

INTO THE AIR

In the whole history of first-class cricket there have been only five partnerships of more than 500 runs—and Frank MacGlynn Worrell has flashed a fruitful bat in two of them.

How do we get him out? Quite a problem, I assure you, especially in the absence of Alec Bedser—the only Englishman to capture him twice in the 10 furnished innings. Worrell has contributed to our Test Match discomfort.

NOT THERE

Cranston, Allen, Berry, Hollies, Jenkins and Wright, each of whom have performed the feat once, are no longer mustered in our attack.

Figures, of course, can be awful liars, but some measure of the Worrell menace may be gathered from the fact that, in his seven knocks against us, the man born nearly 30 years ago in the shadow of the Empire cricket ground in Barbados has taken 933 runs off our Test Match bowlers (average 104.12).

Worrell also bowled—and once got rid of Hutton—in those seven matches. Indeed, it was bowling that introduced him to the game, at Combermere College at the belligerent age of 12.

But it was his stroke-packed batting, rather than his left-

arm medium quickies or his leg-break splinters that enabled Worrell to contribute so elegantly and so considerably to five defeats of England. Only once, at Manchester in 1950, have we managed to beat a West Indies team with Worrell in it.

He has scored a century against each of Australia, New Zealand and India; he has brought dignity to the dash of Lancashire League games for Radcliffe; and he has added freely to the fortunes of that mixed bag of Commonwealth cricketers in India.

But England, always England, has been the main target of neither pounce nor poisoning, sunstroke nor a broken finger has been able to deflect this prolific stylist from our defeat.

And he does it all for money! If ever Test Match cricketers form a trade union, you may bet your white boots that Frankie Worrell will be picketing for higher wages.

(London Express Service)

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE ORDERS

Order by Mr. Fung Ping-fan, O.S.J., Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong District, Order No. 6/54 dated February 11, 1954.

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New Italian Cabinet Announced

Rome, Feb. 10. After his meeting with the newly-appointed Premier, Mr. Mario Scelba, Italian President Luigi Einaudi today signed the decree appointing the list of ministers who will take the oath.

The appointments announced today are: Minister of Justice, Michele (Christie) De Michelis (Democrat); Minister of Budget, Ezio Veronesi (CD); Minister of Foreign Trade, Mario Martinelli (CD); Minister of Finance, Roberto Tremelloni (Social Democrat); Minister of Treasury, Silvio Goria (CD); Minister of Agriculture, Giuseppe Meda (CD); Minister of Industry, Bruno Zevi (Liberal); Minister of Education, Gaetano Martino (Liberal); Minister of Defence, Paolo Tassinari (CD); Minister of Merchant Marine, Amintore Fanfani (CD); Minister of Transport, Bernardo Lombardi (CD); Minister of Labour and Social Security, Ezio Vignarelli (SD); Minister of Public Works, Giuseppe Romita (CD); Minister of Post and Telegraphs, Gerardo Cassinini (CD); Under-Secretary of State to the Premier's Office, Oscar Scalfaro.—France-Press.

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Is The Missing Soviet Diplomat Hidden On Okinawa?

Okinawa, Feb. 10. Missing Soviet diplomat Yuri Rastvorov probably was on Okinawa and may still be here, but his whereabouts is one of the best-kept secrets on this United States island stronghold.

Rastvorov, Second Secretary of the outlawed Soviet Mission in Japan, disappeared on January 24. The chief of the Soviet Mission charged that he had been kidnapped by United States intelligence agents.

Highly placed United States sources said he had surrendered to United States officials and given details of a Russian spy ring operating in the Far East.

The Russian was reported to have been brought to Okinawa for questioning. But United States officials, like those in Tokyo and Washington, declined all knowledge of Rastvorov's whereabouts.

"We don't have him," said Major-General David A. D. Ogden, Commander of the Ryukyu Command.

"I don't know where he is," said Thomas Murlin, American Consul here.

ISOLATED SPOTS

For every American on Okinawa who thinks Rastvorov never came here there are five who are convinced he was or is here and there are 10 who avoid the subject.

And it was pointed out that the missing diplomat could be on the island in the hands of the agents of the U.S. Central Intelligence without Gen. Ogden or Mr. Murlin knowing it.

This base is so large and contains so much secret work that the 40,000 Americans here have grown accustomed to keeping their mouths shut.

It was three weeks before most persons on the island knew the Polo was here. They found out the day he left.—United Press.

Outstanding Points

London, Feb. 10. The Minister of State at the Foreign Office, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, told the House of Commons today the main questions outstanding regarding the Korean peace talks were voting procedure, Moscow's status and the duties of the neutral nations.—France-Press.

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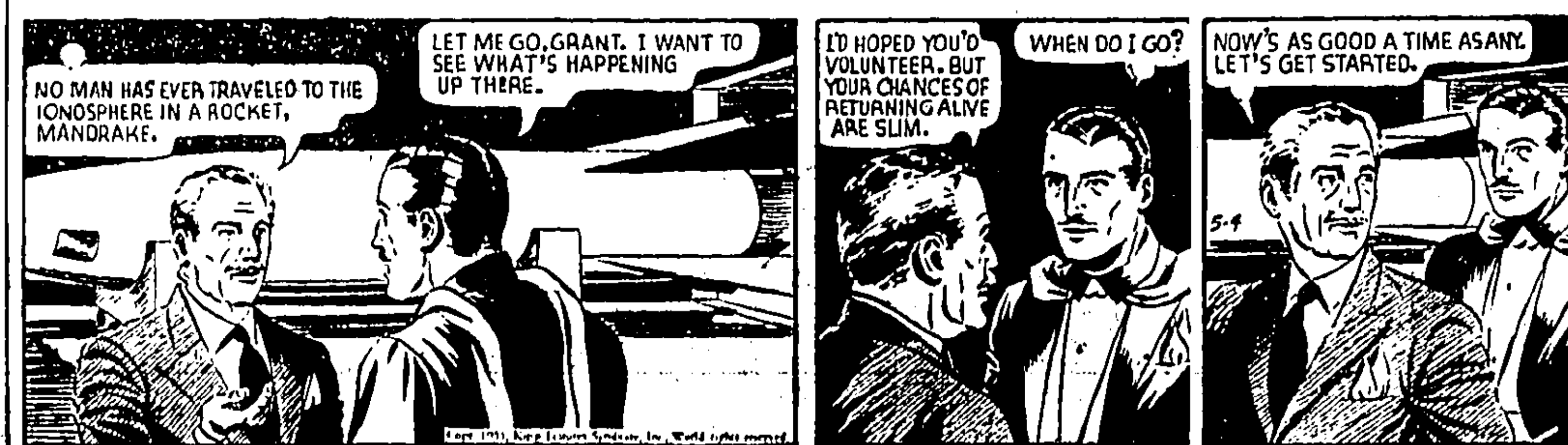
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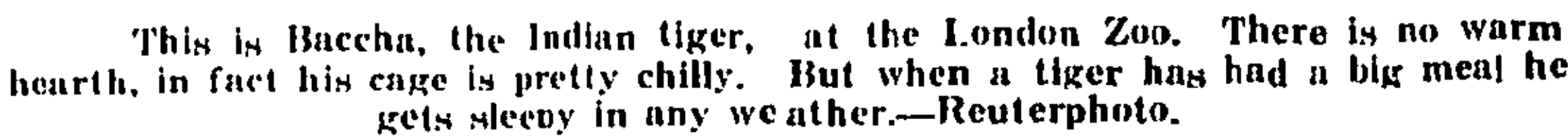
Washington, Feb. 10.

American officials said today they believed the inhabitants of the princely state of Kashmir still had the right to determine their own fate in a plebiscite under neutral supervision, despite the action of the Kashmir Assembly in ratifying accession to India.

They said they had no indication from New Delhi the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, intended to go back on his agreement of last August with Pakistan that the eventual fate of the State would be determined by the full and free vote of the inhabitants in a plebiscite supervised by a neutral nation.

However, a clear and unequiv

TRADES and COMMERCE SECTION



Hanoi, Feb. 10.

"Madame Parachute" is not a Madame at all. She is 29-year-old Mademoiselle Brigitte Friang who carries with her, even on the battlefield, the chic of a fashionable Paris couturier.

tions. But her history as a war heroine dates back 12 years, when, as a girl of 18, she began her own war against the Germans occupying her country.

Resistance Worker

Still posing as a medical student, she made occasional trips to visit her "relatives" in Nanquai. Madame Paracudito busied herself organizing the delivery of arms dropped by aircraft from England.

despite prospects for a larger crop, the bulletin continues. It should be noted also that if the per-capita consumption were to be restored to the 1937 level, more than double this amount of imports would be required. This, together with the fact that the population is increasing at the rate of 1.2 per cent a year, would seem to indicate that continued imports of rice will be necessary for some time.—China Mail Special.

19 make "the people themselves
20 They will not want to share
21 them with the Japanese."
22 United Press.

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A London
Evening

THE young Dutch business-
man came over on the
Hook of Holland-
Harwich service, and his
first sight of London was
Liverpool Street station in
all its morning glory.

The gossamer quality of the
gaily there is enough to per-
suade most visitors that London
is full of romance and improb-
ability, and the young business-
man, whose name was Freddy,
caught the mood at once.

He dropped his bag at his
hotel, and somehow got through
the working day. Then the
enchanted evening lay ahead,
and the whole town seemed
his.

As so often happens in
romances, the young man
presently met a girl.

DOUBLE MAGIC

AND as usually happens
abroad, she seemed
possessed of twice the magic
of the girls in Dordrecht or Utrecht
or Bergen-op-Zoom, because he
had so little of her language,
and she had not a word of his.
At a point in the evening he
said, with a thumb in the right
pocket of his pocket dictionary,
"We will have dinner, yes?"
"Dinner, eh?" Freddy repeated.
To make his meaning clear, he
went through the motions of
eating.

"Sure," said the girl, "let's
go."

"But first," Freddy said, "I
must some money have from
my bag which in my hotel is."

VANISHING TRICK

"WHATEVER you say," said
the girl, who was begin-
ning to be bored with Freddy,
and thought she saw a way of
dodging the evening ahead.
They reached Freddy's hotel.
"You just wait here," he said to
the girl, "I get the money." He
beamed, and bounded up the
steps into the hotel lobby, like
a stag. When he came back,
the girl had gone.

He went into the street, and
looked up and down. At first,
there was no sign of her. Then
he thought he saw her on the
other side of the road. He raced
across. "Now, now, now," he
said, in mock reprimand, "you
think you run away, eh?" It
was the wrong girl. This one
took one look at Freddy, and
bolted.

SECOND ATTEMPT

PUZZLED, the young man re-
turned across the roadway,
looking about him. "Ah," he
said to himself, "there she is."
He swept up the other total
stranger, and this young woman
was so put about by Freddy's
advance upon her, that she ran
away and attached herself to an
elderly lady who was passing, and
begged to be escorted out of
Freddy's range.

A policeman had been watch-
ing Freddy. Now he came up.
"I'm arresting you," he said,
"for using insulting behaviour
whereby a breach of the peace
might have been occasioned."
Freddy reached for his pocket
dictionary.

At Bow Street, next morning,
Freddy, dark-eyed as if through
lack of sleep, but not unhand-
some, pleaded not guilty to the
charge, and the story was told
to Sir Laurence Dunne, the Chief
Magistrate.

BE CAREFUL

"WERE these respectable
women he spoke to?"
Sir Laurence asked the officer
in charge of the case.
"Oh, quite respectable, sir."
"It was just the wrong ladies,
so they were frightened," said
Freddy.
"You've got to be careful, in
this country," Sir Laurence said
to him. "You'd better have a
better system of recognition, if
you're going to meet young
ladies. This time I shall dis-
charge you conditionally."

Freddy nodded, as though the
words meant nothing much to
him until he could consult his
dictionary. He bowed deeply,
and went sadly away into the
deceptive gaiety of Covent
Garden.

What's His Line? Solution
INVENTOR
London, Express Service.

Trade Agreement
Debate

(Continued from Page 1)

The Lancashire textile industry
was having great difficulties.
NO POWER OR RIGHT
Turning to the colonies, Mr
Maudling said: "We have no
power or right to say they must
not spend their own money on
Japanese but Lancashire goods."

He added: "I don't think any-
one would dispute that nothing
could have a worse effect on
our relations with the Common-
wealth and the colonies if we
were to insist on a proposition
of that kind."

Mr Maudling said it had
never been the practice of any
government to consult a whole
industry before coming to de-
cisions. The Labour Govern-
ment in 1931 did not do so when
it imposed the colonial quotas
in 1931. Nor did it seek as-
surance against unfair trading
practices when it signed the
1931 Japanese agreement.

But Mr Maudling gave an
assurance that if instances of
unfair trading practices were
brought to the Government's
notice it would take action.
Mr Maudling said it was true
that Lancashire would have to
bear a large part of the burden.
But that was because it was
textiles, particularly cotton
textiles, that the colonies wanted
to buy.

The main increase in the
colonial licences would be in the
cotton textiles. In the other
colonies which bought Japanese
goods for consumption, the in-
crease in licensed imports would
be £7,500,000 compared with
£1,500,000 in 1931. The total
£25,000,000.

The actual amount sold in
the colonies would depend
upon the degree to which
Lancashire was competitive and
to which Japanese exports dis-
placed goods from other coun-
tries.

Even if the Japanese sold
£25,000,000 in the colonies, that
would be substantially less than
the rate at which the colonies
were buying immediately after
the 1931 agreement.

A situation had now been
reached where there were no
longer any balance of payments
reasons for limiting imports into
the colonies of goods they need-
ed from Japan.

Mr Maudling said in practice
this should not mean a sub-
stantial displacement of Lanca-
shire goods in the colonies.
Without a renewal of the
sterling payments agreement
there might well be a bilateral
Japan-Australia payments agree-
ment which might have forced
more Japanese goods into
Australia at Lancashire's
expense.

Mr Maudling said there was
"no shadow of doubt" the agree-
ment was in Britain's interests.
It would do no serious injury
to any British industry.

Mr Ralph Asquith, a Con-
servative from Lancashire who
moved the Conservative motion,
said Mr Maudling's speech had
disclosed some additional facts
of which he and his friends were
not previously aware. He thought
they would tend to ally
Lancashire's fears.

Mr I. M. Thorburn, a Con-
servative, who recalled that for
several years he was a prisoner
of war of the Japanese, declared
that the case for the agreement
was overwhelming.
If one result was to make
Japan solvent and give Aus-
tralia a bigger wool cheque, it
might well be to the advantage
of Lancashire.

Mr John Edwards, in a wind-
ing up speech, for the Opposi-
tion, disputed Mr Maudling's
contention that the agreement
was a continuation of the 1931
agreement. It had entirely new
features which were causing
concern, for instance, in the
potteries.

The new features were
the token quotas for Japanese
imports into Britain which had
not been admitted here since
before the war. It was wrong
to suggest that because the
quotas were small they
would have no effect on the
British economy.

He was afraid that if Japanese
exports to the colonies were
to go up by £7,500,000 it would
be at the expense of Lancashire.
GOOD OR BAD?
Mr Thompson said he was
not sure whether the Opposition
was in favour of the agreement
or against it. The big question
was whether it was a good or
bad agreement. If it was
then no amount of consultation
with Lancashire would have
turned it into a good one.

Some Labour members called
out "It is a bad one."
Mr Thompson said: "Then the
Opposition motion is against the
agreement." Their interruption

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"No, I know I don't need an expensive necklace, but we
ought to look ahead—think of all the money we could
borrow on it if we ever were hard up!"

Court Dismisses
Appeal Against
Death Sentence

An appeal against sentence of death for the
murder of a woman Wu Kwai-lan on July 10, 1953,
was brought by Ho Chung-foon, 24, rubber factory
worker, before the Full Court of Appeal, com-
prising the two Puisne Judges, Mr Justice C. W.
Reece and Mr Justice J. R. Gregg this morning.
The appeal was dismissed.

Mr T. Shurlock told the Court
that he was assigned to appear
for the appellant, on the instruc-
tions of Mr Alfred Hon.

Counsel said that appellant
was tried before Mr Justice
Scholes and a Jury on a charge
of murder and was found guilty
and sentenced to death on
December 1 last.

Appellant had appealed on the
ground that he was falsely ac-
cused and wrongly convicted,
Counsel said.

Mr Shurlock said he had
studied the record with care and
had consulted some of his
colleagues and he was unable to
find any ground on which to
argue the appeal before the Court.

Counsel referred the Court to
a copy of the Criminal Appeal
Reports of 1948 (the case of Rex
v. Frederick Reynolds) in which
the Lord Chief Justice said that
the Court always read the trans-
cript of the case and when it
was perfectly clear there was no
ground for appeal there was no
duty on Counsel other than to
tell the Court that he represented
the appellant. If the Court
had discovered anything
in the case on which it wished
to hear him, Counsel would then
do his best to assist the Court.

Mr Shurlock asked whether
their Lordships would perhaps
intimate to him whether there
was any point on which they
wished to hear him. As far as
he could see there were no
grounds on which to argue the
appeal.

Mr Justice Reece said that
the Court was in entire agree-
ment with Mr Shurlock. Their
Lordships had read the record
and there was nothing which
Counsel could usefully advance
to get the verdict set aside.
The Court therefore did not
wish further to hear Counsel.
Mr Simon L. Crown Counsel,
said he had nothing to say.
The appeal was accordingly
dismissed.

Queen Tours
NSW Coast

Sydney, Feb. 11.
Only a small crowd saw
Queen Elizabeth and the Duke
of Edinburgh leave Government
House here today for their tour
of the south coast of New South
Wales.

The Royal couple travelled in
a closed car and seemed in good
spirits as they swept through the
city streets, past small groups of
cheering people.
Police estimate that despite
the threat of more rain, half
a million people will line
Prince's highway for the 50-
mile car trip to Wollongong.

In the Sydney suburbs of
Kogarah and Sutherland, 53,000
school children were lining the
roads, and at places farther
south, workmen were busily
filling in potholes and cleaning
up the roadside.

As the Queen left Government
House, light rain had begun
falling in Wollongong.—Reuter.

Argument Over
Foundation Day

Tokyo, Feb. 11.
Outside the Imperial Palace
in Tokyo today there was public
celebration of the 1,500th
anniversary of the founding of
Japan's Foundation Day.—on
Feb. 11 in 600 B. C. tradition
has it that Japan's first Emperor
Jimmu acceded.

After the war, the Occupation
banned the celebration of Founda-
tion Day.
Japan's 124th Emperor Hiro-
hito, however, continued quietly
visiting sanctuaries and today,
within the High walled en-
closures of the Imperial Palace,
Hirohito visited three sanctuaries
to pay traditional homage.

Outside the Palace, minor re-
ligious acts, arranged to mark
Foundation Day, again, but
newspapers reported public op-
position and spathy at the
smaller shrines.—Reuter.

No Contact With
Advancing Rebels
Yet Established

Vientiane, Laos, Feb. 10.

French Union forces, including both French
and Laotian units, returned to the threatened
royal capital of Laos, Luang Prabang, tonight to
report that they had no news of the whereabouts
of the Vietminh's 308th shock division advancing
on the city.

Despite numerous attempts to contact the rebel di-
vision, all patrols returned empty-handed and French mili-
tary circles expressed the opinion that the Vietminh
advance had slowed down considerably.

The Laotian Crown Prince
Svanga Vattana arrived here
today from Luang Prabang to
attend the opening session of
the Laos National Assembly.
He stated that the morale of
the Laotian forces and of the

population of Luang Prabang
was excellent. He said he be-
lieved the situation was not
alarming.

"Tonight the main body of the
rebels was still believed to be
30 to 40 miles away from the
royal capital, on both banks of
the Namkhan River, waiting for
orders to march on the city.

French warplanes carried
out day-long bombing and
strafing attacks on Vietminh
troop concentrations and bar-
racks throughout the whole of
the battle area.

Vietminh spearheads, believed
to be about 1,500-strong, were
at the approaches to the town,
but a general assault was not
expected until the main Viet-
minh forces had reached
striking distance of the capital.
—France-Press.

Convicted
Man Quotes
The Bible

The Full Court this
morning dismissed two
appeals — one against con-
viction, the other against
severity of sentence —
brought by Tang Kwok-
ching and Wong Chow, who
were sentenced to 21
months by Judge W. A.
Blair-Kerr on November 1
on 13 charges of con-
spiracy, making false state-
ments on oath and bank-
ruptcy offences.

The appellants were found
guilty of having conspired to-
gether to defraud creditors of
the second appellant by present-
ing a false petition for bank-
ruptcy in the name of the first
appellant.

Tang (first appellant) told
the Court comprising the two
Puisne Judges, Mr Justice C. W.
Reece and Mr Justice J. R.
Gregg, that he was falsely ac-
cused. At the time he petitioned
for bankruptcy the authorities
should have been aware that
he was a partner of the firm in
question, otherwise, he argued,
his petition would not have
been granted. He said second
appellant was not pretending to
be a bankrupt but in actual fact
was a bankrupt unable to satisfy
his debts.

He went on to say that when
second appellant petitioned the
"Registrar of Bankruptcy" he
did make clear the address of the
first appellant and argued that if
they had conspired together the
proper address would have been
given.

Second appellant who appeared
against severity of sentence said
he had been a bankrupt for 10
years and that since his first offence
he had a wife and seven
children (who he said were in
Court) and they were all de-
pendent upon him for support.

His family could
be described as "sheep" without a
shepherd, according to the
New Testament, he said.
"I come before your Lord-
ships to appeal for leniency
and mercy. I ask you to have
mercy on all these dependent
creatures of mine so that I
may have a reduced sentence
and an early chance to come
out and look after them," he
pleaded.

Mr Justice Reece told first
appellant that the Court was of
the opinion that he (first ap-
pellant) was properly con-
victed by the District Judge.
The Court had considered the
record and could not see any
ground for saying that the
conviction was wrong. The ap-
pel was dismissed.

The Court felt that it was a
little bit late in the day for
second appellant to think about
the reduced circumstances in
which his family was placed.
Mr Justice Reece told Wong:
Second appellant should have
thought about that at the time
of committing the offence.
His Lordship said the Court
could find nothing in the
grounds which second appellant
urged to justify reduction of
sentence. What the Court could
do for him, however, was that
instead of making the sentence
start as from today, to let it
run from the day of his arrest.
"In order that you may be
released a little earlier and
resume your duty as shepherd
of your flock," he said.

Mr Justice Reece said that the
Court would also give first
appellant that some benefit
although he did not in his ap-
pellant ask for reduction of
sentence.

Newsman's
Flat
Burgled

M. Florie Doublet's flat
at Lakeview Apartments, 23,
South Bay Road, was
burgled early this morning,
the thieves getting away
with about \$500 worth of
articles, including a radio-
gram.

M. Doublet, who is the
acting Manager of the
Hongkong Bureau of
Agents, France Press,
lives in a ground floor flat
at Lakeview Apartments.
Entry into the flat was
made by way of the kitchen
window.

In addition to the radio-
gram, the thieves stole
four bottles of wine and all
of the cook's clothing
save one pair of trousers.
This is the second bur-
glary which has been
carried out at Lakeview
Apartments during the past
week.

Mail
Notices

The latest times of mail
shown below are those for un-
registered correspondence posted
at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest
posting times elsewhere which,
in general, are earlier than the
G.P.O. times can be ascertained
by enquiry at the local office.
The latest posting times for
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one hour earlier than the times
shown below. Particulars regard-
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11
By Air

Formosa, Okinawa, Japan, U.S.A.,
& Canada, 8 p.m.
Philippines, Burma, 8 p.m.
Malaya, Borneo, India, 3 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12
By Air

Thailand, Burma, India, Ceylon,
Siam, Malaya, Borneo, 8 a.m.
Great Britain & Europe, 9 a.m.
Formosa, Japan, 10 a.m.
N. America, Australia, New Zea-
land, 6 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, 8 p.m.
India, China, 8 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6.30 a.m.
Macao, 6 a.m.
Formosa, 8 a.m.
Malaya, Borneo, 2 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13
By Air

Philippines, Guma, Hawaii, U.S.A.,
& Canada, 8 a.m.
India, Ceylon, 9 a.m.
Thailand, Malaya, Pakistan, Middle
East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe,
Hawaii, 9 p.m.
Formosa, Okinawa, Japan, U.S.A.,
& Canada, 6 p.m.

"Wanted" Man
Arrested

Washington, Feb. 10.
Apeo Hamp Chapman, want-
ed for murder in Cleveland and
one of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation's 10 most wanted
fugitives, was seized today in
nearby Silver Springs, Mary-
land.

Chapman was placed on the
FBI fugitive list only seven
days ago. FBI agents arrested
him on a tip from a Washington
greeter who recognised his pic-
ture in the local edition of the
Afro-American.

Chapman, who shaved off a
moustache to escape detection,
is wanted for the fatal shooting
of his wife and another woman
and the wounding of two other
persons at a Cleveland party in
February, 1953.—United Press.

Radio Hongkong

H.K. T.
The Signal and Programme Sum-
mary: 1.00 Jazz Night. Hours presented
by Robin Day (Studio); 6.30 Post-
war Half Hour (Studio); 6.50 Weather
Report; 7.00 Time Signal and World
News (London Relay); 7.15 News
Talk (London Relay) of Special An-
nouncements; 7.15 "Much Ado About
Nothing" — Suite (Haramony);
State Corp. of the USSR, led by
Alexander, Baklanoff; 7.30 "Down
Memory Lane" presented by Allen
Woods (Studio); 7.35 "The Great
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